

THE WEEK'S NEWS

Monday, Sept. 17.

After a consultation with the leading men who are under arrest at Havana, charged with conspiracy and emissaries of the revolutionists, the government announced the indefinite stoppage of all hostilities on its part with the object of making peace before Secretary Taft arrives or the United States intervenes.

The longshoremen of Boston have repudiated a decision of a board of arbitration relative to a settlement of the strike at the Metropolitan Steamship company's wharf.

Thomas W. Alexander, head of the largest cotton firm in Augusta, Ga., who disappeared after having defaulted for a sum approximately \$200,000, has been arrested at Pittsburgh.

Today was George Washington Day in Hungary's capital and the entire population, from morning until night, gave itself up to enthusiasm over the travelling on monarchial territory of a monument to the first President of the United States.

The Paris police discovered a band of expert coiners having international connections and 50 members of it were arrested. The process used by the counterfeiters was almost perfect.

Simultaneously with the floating of the steamship Manchuria of the Pacific Mail Steamship company from Rabbit Island, where she grounded on Aug. 20, her sister ship of the same line, the Mongolia, went ashore on the reef which surrounds Midway Islands.

Two persons were killed and 30 were injured by the collision of two heavily loaded electric cars at San Francisco.

Sunday, Sept. 16.

The 27th anniversary of the founding of Boston was signified by the formal organization of an official bureau to advertise the attractions and industrial possibilities of the city.

Water from a cloudburst rushed down the valley of Elk creek, Neb., doing damage aggregating \$100,000.

Dr. D. J. McCabe of Berlin, N. H., was driving when his horse took fright and bolted. The carriage collided with a post and McCabe was thrown out and killed.

Farmers lynched Mitchell Frazier, a negro, at Rosebud, Tex., because he pushed a white farmer from a walk.

The naval tug Potomac has sailed from New York for Newfoundland to prosecute an inquiry into the fisheries.

Thomas B. Hickey of Brockton, Mass., has been elected general president of the Boot and Shoe Workers' union over John F. Tobin, the present incumbent.

While the cruiser Cleveland was making hasty preparations to leave Norfolk navy yard a number of the crew objected to discipline of a master-of-arms and gave him an unmerciful beating.

Because it was considered unsafe for passenger and freight traffic, the White River Valley (Vt.) railroad has been ordered closed by the state board of railroad commissioners.

General Treppoff, commandant of the Imperial palace at St. Petersburg, retired at Peterhof to rest and gave orders that he should not be disturbed until dinner was served. When dinner was announced, Treppoff did not answer the call and finally a member of his staff found the general lying stretched out at the foot of his couch with a newspaper in his hand, dead.

The cotton crop of Mexico will in all probability be 15 or 20 percent less this season than last, owing to the inundation of land. The loss will be about \$2,000,000.

Saturday, Sept. 15.

President Roosevelt addressed a communication to Cuba, urging patriots to band together, and sink all differences and personal ambitions. Our responsibility will necessarily be exercised should peace not be preserved.

The president arranged to send Taft and Bacon to that island immediately to make a thorough investigation of conditions there and lend their influence to restore peace.

C. H. Daniels of the New York Athletic club lowered the world's swimming record for 220 yards, setting the new mark at 2:42.5.

The Gilmour hotel at Ottawa was destroyed by fire. Many of the guests jumped from windows and were seriously injured. Four are missing.

Two violent and seemingly distinct storms swept over Johnson county, Neb., causing the death of four persons.

Erasmus M. Strout, assistant postmaster at Empire, Me., is accused of stealing \$30 worth of postage stamps and using them to pay for goods for his own personal use.

Lieutenant General Corbin has been retired, having reached the age of 54 years.

The \$1000 cup offered by Commodore Reid for the schooner yacht winning two of three races over the America's cup course, off Sandy Hook, was won by Roger Maxwell's Queen.

Friday, Sept. 14.

The sailors who were landed at Havana from the American cruiser Denver have been ordered to immediately return to their vessel, save for a small guard which will be left at the American legation.

The grand jury at Chicago returned indictments against the five directors of the Milwaukee Avenue State bank, of which Paul O. Stensland was president. The indictments charge embezzlement.

"Swiftwater Bill" Gates, an Alaska miner notorious as a spendthrift, has filed a petition in bankruptcy in the federal court at Seattle.

In the next Maine legislature the Democrats will have eight of the 31 senators and 60 of the 151 representatives. This is a gain for the minority party of four senators and 34 representatives.

The four days of theoretical war in Prussia ended with the defeat of the invading army (the reds). There were 80,000 men engaged.

Jane Toppin, the notorious poisoner, can live but a short time longer, report physicians who are caring for her at the Taunton insane asylum. Though she weighed 230 pounds when she was incarcerated, she weighs now but 67 pounds.

Lieutenant General Corbin, in a report to the military secretary, contributes his disapproval of the legislative prohibition against the sale of beer and light wines in the post exchanges.

Thursday, Sept. 13.

The Connecticut Democratic state convention named a full state ticket headed by Charles F. Thayer of Norwich for governor. The convention was the quietest in many years.

Alleging combination and conspiracy in restraint of trade, Charles R. Hale, an independent coal merchant of Hartford, has brought suit against 10 local coal dealers of Hartford, claiming damages of \$35,000.

Twelve persons are known to be dead and there were 12 injured in a head-on collision between two Canadian Pacific passenger trains at Azilda, Ont.

Hours of terror were passed by the passengers and crews of the steamer Admiral Schley and the steamer Alice, which arrived at Boston from Jamaica and Cuba, badly damaged in a violent West Indian hurricane.

Amiello Bizo was sentenced at New York to serve six months in the penitentiary for carrying concealed weapons. He is known as the "strongest giant of the Black Hand."

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A Chinese Duel.

A Chinaman was killed recently in Bangkok in a duel with another of his race. The Chinese method of dueling is interesting, but does not seem dead-end. These two Bangkok Chinamen fought with the two foreigners of each hand, stabbing each other with these in the region of the spleen and at the same level on the other side of the body. The men who go in for this kind of contest practice every morning, stabbing bags of rice or paddy with these fingers till they can use them like a piece of iron.

The Real Trouble.

The other afternoon a man rushed into the Reading terminal, galloped up the stairs and dashed for the train shed just as the gates were closed against him.

He looked as if he wanted to swear most vociferously, but he was out of wind, and all that he could do was to lean against the fence and soulfully sigh. It was then that the grumpy idiot, who is always on hand, paced over and butted in.

"Did you miss your train, old boy?" he queried, with a smiling glance at the panting one.

"No," was the grumpy rejoinder. "I chase myself up here that way every five minutes to see them shut the gates."

"What made you so late?" queried the other, not at all abashed. "Is your watch out of order?"

"No, my watch is all to the good," replied the man who missed the train. "but I think that my feet are about two minutes slow."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

His Lesson.

A woman who had divorced her husband met him after many years. "Have you married again?" she asked.

The man shook his head. "Ah!" sighed the woman. "You still love me."

"No," said the man, "I love myself." He was asked to explain.

"Bondage taught me the value of freedom," he replied. "I am answerable now only to myself. I come when I please, go when I please, do what I please and need not make explanation. I no longer divide my pleasures by two or multiply my worries by the same number. What I earn is mine and, when I contemplate its possible reduction, I need fear for myself alone. I have no great joys, but then I have no great sorrows."

"And love?" inquired the woman. "I have been married," answered the man.—Channing Pollock in Show.

The Bird's Bill Was Locked.

A curious bird tragedy is told about in the London Field. A man found a yellow hammer dead in his yard at the foot of a wall. The bird had flown against it with such force as to be stunned. Not only that, but the upper mandible had been bent back, and in the straightening out the sharp point was driven down through the lower bill and locked, thus dooming the bird to death by starvation. The man sent the head to the Field. A good many similar accidents have been recorded, but it was always a heavier bird, whose weight made the springing of the bill easier. A good many of the birds were found in a starved condition, showing that they died lingering deaths from want of food. Birds that fly against the lighthouses have the skull bones crushed and die instantly, but others are stunned only.

State Laws.

"If you should have your choice whether to die in the Empire State or in good old New Jersey, don't fail to select Jersey," remarked a Hoboken lawyer the other day. "Over there," said he, "we still do business on lines laid out by the common law. For example, under the laws of New Jersey a husband is entitled to all the personal property left by his deceased wife. Across the river the case is quite different, because under the laws of the state of New York half of a deceased wife's personal estate goes to her children and the residue reverts to her husband. Only where there are no children is the hubby the whole thing."—New York Press.

He Was Drugged.

An ambulance surgeon had a curious experience the other night. He was summoned to a police station to examine an unconscious prisoner. The prisoner, very muddy and disheveled, lay on the floor of the cell rooms. The physician bent over and examined him and then, rising, said in a loud stern voice:

"This man's condition is not due to drink. He has been drugged." A policeman turned pale and said in a timid, hesitating voice:

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